that the physician is granted admitting privileges at the hospital, or before or at the time the physician admits his or her first patient. Existing acknowledgements signed by physicians already on staff remain in effect as long as the physician has admitting privileges at the hospital.

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# § 412.48 Denial of payment as a result of admissions and quality review.

- (a) If HCFA determines, on the basis of information supplied by a PRO that a hospital has misrepresented admissions, discharges, or billing information, or has taken an action that results in the unnecessary admission of an individual entitled to benefits under Part A, unnecessary multiple admissions of an individual, or other inappropriate medical or other practices with respect to beneficiaries or billing for services furnished to beneficiaries, HCFA may as appropriate—
- (1) Deny payment (in whole or in part) under Part A with respect to inpatient hospital services provided with respect to such an unnecessary admission or subsequent readmission of an individual; or
- (2) Require the hospital to take other corrective action necessary to prevent or correct the inappropriate practice.
- (b) When payment with respect to admission of an individual patient is denied by a PRO under paragraph (a)(1) of this section, and liability is not waived in accordance with §\$405.330 through 405.332 of this chapter, notice and appeals are provided under procedures established by HCFA to implement the provisions of section 1155 of the Act, Right to Hearing and Judicial Review.
- (c) A determination under paragraph (a) of this section, if it is related to a pattern of inappropriate admissions and billing practices that has the effect of circumventing the prospective payment systems, is referred to the Department's Office of Inspector General, for handling in accordance with § 1001.301 of this title.

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# § 412.50 Furnishing of inpatient hospital services directly or under arrangements.

- (a) The applicable payments made under the prospective payment systems, as described in subparts H and M of this part, are payment in full for all inpatient hospital services, as defined in §409.10 of this chapter, other than physicians' services to individual patients reimbursable on a reasonable charge basis (in accordance with the criteria of §415.102(a) of this chapter).
- (b) HCFA does not pay any provider or supplier other than the hospital for services furnished to a beneficiary who is an inpatient, except for physicians' services reimbursable under §405.550(b) of this chapter and services of an anesthetist employed by a physician reimbursable under §415.102(a) of this chapter
- (c) The hospital must furnish all necessary covered services to the beneficiary either directly or under arrangements (as defined in §409.3 of this chapter).

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### §412.52 Reporting and recordkeeping requirements.

All hospitals participating in the prospective payment systems must meet the recordkeeping and cost reporting requirements of §§ 413.20 and 413.24 of this chapter.

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#### Subpart D—Basic Methodology for Determining Prospective Payment Federal Rates for Inpatient Operating Costs

# §412.60 DRG classification and weighting factors.

- (a) Diagnosis-related groups. HCFA establishs a classification of inpatient hospital discharges by Diagnosis-Related Groups (DRGs).
- (b) DRG weighting factors. HCFA assigns, for each DRG, an appropriate weighting factor that reflects the estimated relative cost of hospital resources used with respect to discharges